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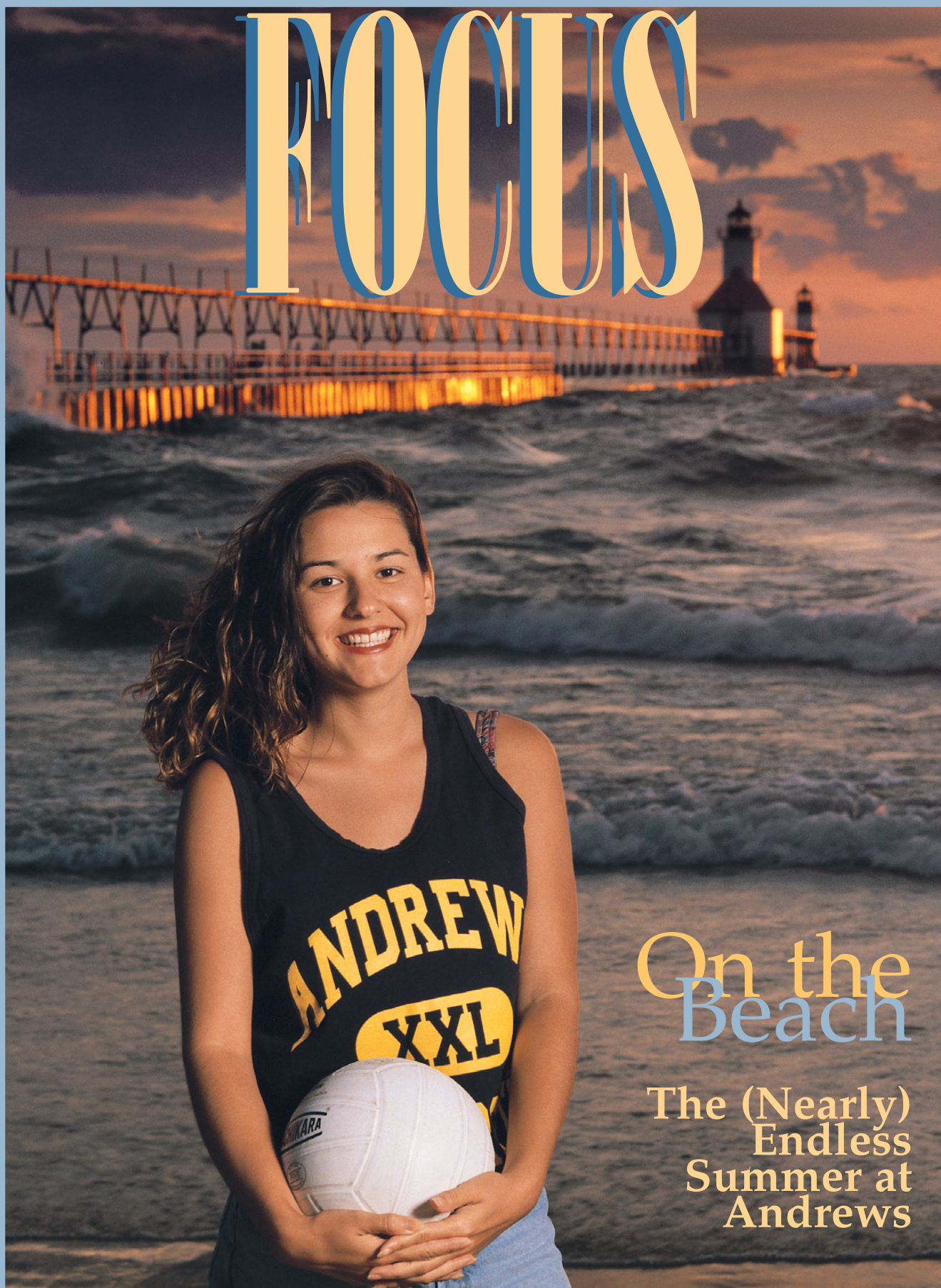
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# FOCUS



On the  
Beach

The (Nearly)  
Endless  
Summer at  
Andrews

WOMEN'S STUDIES • A SECRET GARDEN • PARACHUTING PRESIDENT



## Summer's pace

**W**hatever happened to the *lazy* days of summer? I thought summer was supposed to be a time to kick back and relax, a time to reflect (preferably on the glassy surface of a lake somewhere, lying on an air mattress). Not so in the University Relations office.

Summer is a time to mop up after the school year and a time to plan and prepare for the new one.

This summer Andrews has hosted about 600 SDA retirees, a faith and science conference, Family Life International, Seeds '98, BSCF reunion, numerous band camps, and assorted gatherings. Convention Services, just across the hallway from FOCUS, has teemed with activity in making arrangements for these visitors.

University Relations—like so many other service departments on campus in the summer—hasn't noticed a slowdown in the pace of university life lately. We've churned out news releases, the '98-99 activity calendar (it looks great, as always!), year-end reports, promotional ads, graduation programs, and assorted projects.

We've travelled the globe on university business (Jordan and Costa Rica, but that's for future FOCUS stories), hosted visiting delegations from around the world and given them tours of campus, and we've staffed the Andrews booth at the Berrien County Youth Fair. And next week the Community Relations department heads up a group of 20 or so Andrews volunteers to spend the day doing landscape chores at Riverwood Clinic in Benton Harbor, as part of the annual community-wide United Way Day of Caring. It's a hectic pace.

And it hasn't been much different at home this summer. My wife Janell finally completed the research and clinical hours required in the graduate nurse practitioner program in the Andrews nursing department. For three years she's been attending night classes, writing papers and juggling work. And on August 9, she graduated with a master's degree in nursing with a clinical specialty emphasis in the adult nurse practitioner curriculum. She's worked hard, and I'm really proud of her.

**M**eanwhile, back at the FOCUS office, we've tracked down facts and names, proofread copy, arranged for photos, conferred with the printing crew at The Hamblin Company in Tecumseh, and gone on location for pictures and stories. The Alumni Office supplied **Class Notes** write-ups, and we've out-witted slow computers and

put up with slow ink-jet printers. All with grace and good humor. (*R-i-g-h-t!*) But even though our pace is hectic, we hope you're able to find some time to savor this summer issue's stories and news. Two of our features would make it seem that life is relaxed and tranquil. Jack Stenger takes us to the beach. Sit back and enjoy the sound of waves lapping on Lake Michigan's eastern shores. Dig your toes into the warm sand and think back to all the fun you had at the lake when you were at Andrews. And if the sun's too hot, take a stroll through Ed and Verna Streeter's shade garden. You'll enjoy Madeline Johnston's color photos of this retired faculty couple's secret garden. For years I'd heard about the Streeters' wonderful backyard, so I decided to see it for myself—even if I

had to get there under the pretext of work!

Lisa Rollins takes a look at a little appreciated or noticed academic program at Andrews: the women's studies minor. She discusses its value and presents the curriculum in relation to other like programs around the nation.

And another of my former students, Karon Powell, has written a nice piece on time off for **At Random**. Karon's worked hard for her newly-acquired law degree, and I'm glad she was willing to carve out a few minutes from her hectic schedule to reminisce about the great summer we shared not so long ago on an Andrews Literature on Location program in England.

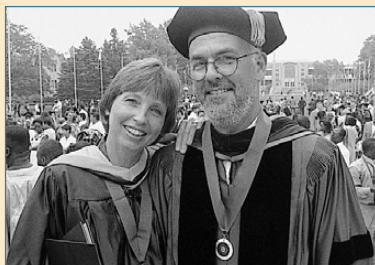


photo by Jack Stenger

*I thought summer was  
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kick back and relax.*

**W**e're happy to welcome Jeremy Russell to FOCUS as our new staff photographer. Jeremy is a third-year photography major from Berrien Springs—so we didn't have to give him detailed

directions to go out and photograph the various beach shots. Jeremy has a good eye for artistic angles; his work is on the back cover—as well as throughout this issue.

The front cover is the work of professional photographer David Sherwin of First Light Studios in Baroda, Mich. We appreciate Dave's willingness to always help out on FOCUS projects. The Andrews student on the beach in St. Joseph is Jessica Medina, a third-year social work major from Crown Point, Ind.

The pace is hectic around here—but FOCUS is in the mail. Time for some vacation!

—Douglas A. Jones (MA '80)  
FOCUS editor

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# CALENDAR

## Back to School.

**Orientation**—New international students, Sept. 21-23. All new students, Sept. 23-28.

**Registration**—Returning students (Monday am-Thursday noon), first-year students entering college for the first time (Thursday pm-Friday am), Sept. 21-25. All students (Sunday, 10 am-3 pm and Monday, 8 am -5 pm), Sept. 27-28.

**Classes begin Tuesday, Sept. 29.**

## Pomp and pageantry.

The traditional passing of the garland takes place at the end of the annual **University Convocation**. President Andreassen delivers the welcome to students, staff and faculty. Friday, Oct. 9, 10:30 am. PMC.

**NET '98.** Pastor Dwight Nelson will speak for **NET '98** beginning Oct. 9 to Nov. 14. Meetings are slated for Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:15-8:30 pm. PMC.

## Strange and unusual.

Class teams participate in the annual **Almost Anything Goes**. Saturday, night, Oct. 17, 8 pm. Johnson Gym.

**College Days.** Hundreds of academy and high school seniors visit campus for the annual **College Days**. Oct. 18 and 19. Call 1-800-253-2874 for complete information.

## Cobwebs and hay bales.

The annual AUSA/SA Barn Party is set for Oct. 31 at 8:45 pm. Location TBA.

## High rise for guys. *Parents*

**Weekend** for parents of men's dormitory residents—Meier and Burman Residence Halls. Nov. 6-8. Call Dean Murray for information: 616-471-3630.

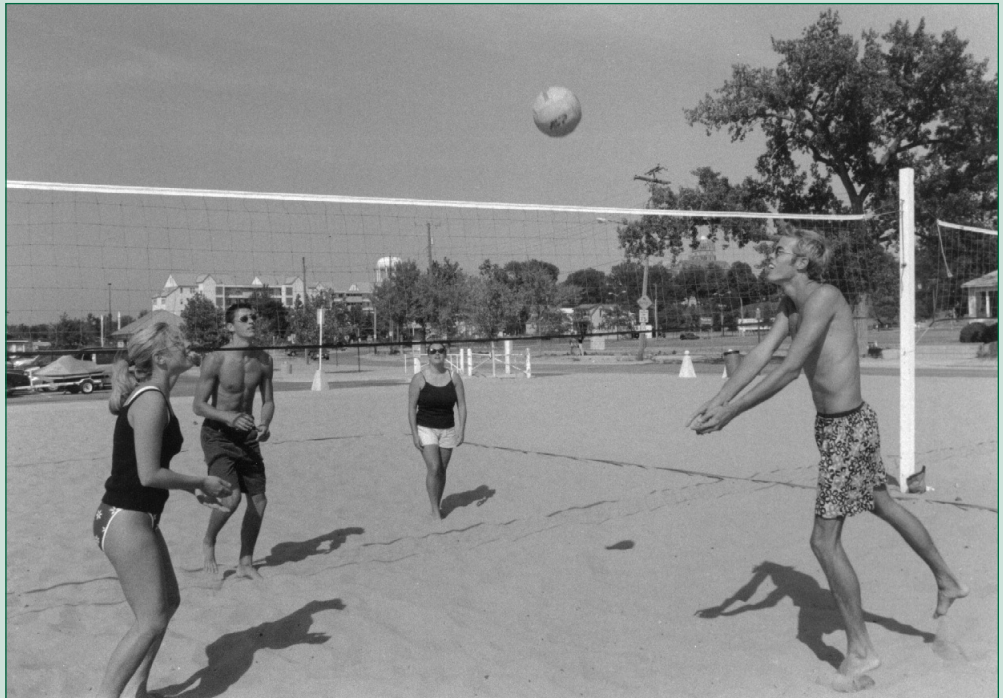
## Show me the money. *School*

**of Business Career Fair.** Nov. 11 from 9 in the morning to 1:30 in the afternoon. Chan Shun Hall.

Nov. 24, at 9:30 pm and ends Sunday, Nov. 29, at 10:30 pm.

## One-hundred years.

A centennial celebration will honor Blythe Owen, professor of music, emerita, on Dec. 12 at 7 pm, to commemorate her 100th birthday. PMC.



*Andrews students catch the last few rays of summer sun at the volleyball lots at Silver Beach in St. Joseph.*

## Lovestruck. *Adventist Engaged*

**Encounter** weekend, Nov. 20-22, 6:30 pm Friday-1:30 pm Sunday. Science Complex. Call (616) 471-3211.

## Fall concert. Andrews' *Wind*

**Symphony**, under the direction of Alan Mitchell, presents an autumn concert. Nov. 21 at 7:30 pm. Campus Center.

## We gather together.

Thanksgiving break starts Tuesday,

**F**or more information about these and other events at Andrews University, please call 1-800-253-2874.

# LETTERS

## FUN IN '54

It's an interesting experience to see a most unflattering picture of oneself on the inside of the back cover of the spring 1998 *FOCUS*. I'm the one profiled in the center right of the picture, blowing with mouth wide open.



Those at the table, left to right, are Nadine Sharar, Malcolm Gordon (could be wrong, but looks like him to me), Hazel Johnson (mostly hidden by my head), Jean Schlunt (me), Maurice Hoppe.

Standing, left to right, are Mrs. E. R. Thiele, Ione Markel, unknown, Carol Hale, and Audrey Kaatz.

The picture was taken at Thiele's house and was published in the 1954 *Cardinal*.

*Jean (Schlunt) Rhoads (BS '58)  
Bloomington, Ind.*

**Editor's note:** Thanks to all of you who offered identification suggestions. **DELORIS BIGLER WOERNER (BS '58)** writes from Athena, Ore., to suggest that the coed in the light plaid blouse might be Annabel Rehling.

## BRAVO FOR BRONZE

I just wanted to let you know how much I appreciated seeing *FOCUS* today. The photo of the Andrews family sculpture is so beautiful; the sculpture itself must be magnificent.

I was thrilled to see the movement in the sculpture so skillfully carved in the

breeze of the harbor catching at the family's clothes. How appropriate to add this evidence of the Spirit of God descending on the whole family!

And what a privilege to "hear" the sentiments of the unveiling participants in the transcript of the ceremony. Thank you for printing it! If you had simply summarized the remarks in a paragraph buried in a news article, I wouldn't have been able to experience the service in such a dramatic way.

So, thank you to Andrews University for your efforts to dream, finance, and dedicate this magnificent piece of art.

*Legacy of Leadership* will not go unnoticed by your students, nor will it be ignored by the rest of us. Collins' sculpture will become the focal point of the mission and scholarship of your flagship campus just as [Collins'] *The Good Samaritan* has become the cornerstone visualizing the medical arts and healing practices of Loma Linda University and Medical Center.

May God bless.

*Becki Timon  
Laurel, Md.*

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## A message from President Niels-Erik Andreasen . . .

Recently I attended meetings of Campus Compact, a national organization with state chapters of colleges and universities committed to including service learning in the educational experience of their students.

During such meetings of college presidents, I'm often asked questions about Andrews, and this meeting was no exception. Here are some of the questions I was asked as we sat around tables waiting for the presentation to begin:

- *Is it true that Andrews students come from around the world?* I was pleased to explain that Andrews serves the world church of Seventh-day Adventists, that our membership now stands at around ten million, that we operate nearly 100 colleges and universities around the world, and that nearly all of them have on their staff individuals who received their graduate training at Andrews.

If you ever have questions about the impact of Andrews University on our world church, take a trip abroad and visit our church headquarters and institutions and you will meet Andrews people serving an Adventist world church community the size of the kingdoms of Denmark and Norway put together.

- *What is the Mennonite Theological Seminary in Indiana talking with Andrews University about?* That seminary is looking to our Social Work program (which is one of the very few distinctly Christian

MSW programs in the nation) for help to design a joint seminary-social work program for Mennonite pastors desiring a greater understanding of Christian compassion ministry.

- *How did your Biblical archaeology program get started?* I was glad to report that 30 years ago a dream of Seminary professor Siegfried Horn came true when he initiated the Andrews University archaeological project in the Kingdom of Jordan. This summer the participants in that project and the Department of Antiquities in Jordan will celebrate 30 years of success that's led to a whole new way of doing Biblical archaeology.

- In passing, someone mentioned that she always listens to our radio station, WAUS 90.7 and wondered how long we've operated it. Quite a long time, I replied, not remembering precisely how many years. Some of you remember when it began and could give a better answer than I. But do you realize how many people listen and hear the words WAUS 90.7, *Andrews University, quality education close to home?*

By this time the conversation between college and university presidents was interrupted by the first speaker. But I thought you might like to listen in on a brief conversation some educators from the Midwest had about Andrews University recently.

# CAMPUS UPDATE

## Spring and summer ceremonies fete over 700 graduates

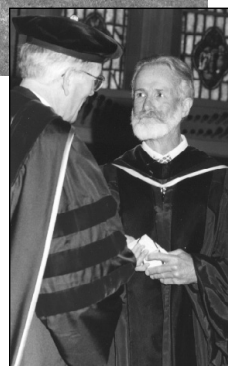
Ceremonies for spring and summer graduation weekends brought crowds of family, friends and well-wishers to campus.

Spring ceremonies awarded 275 undergraduate students diplomas and 223 graduate candidates their degrees. Harvey Elder of Loma Linda University spoke for the graduate commencement, and Charles Teel of La Sierra University delivered the undergraduate address.

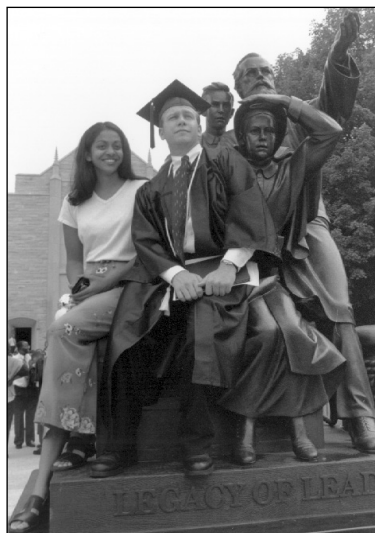
During the summer ceremonies, 144 undergraduates and 67 graduate candidates received degrees. Andrea Luxton of Newbold College in England spoke for the summer commencement service.



**ONE LAST DEADLINE BEFORE GRADUATING:** *Spring graduates line up willingly for their final march of the weekend. President Niels-Erik Andreasen congratulates Ralph Scorpio, professor of biochemistry, on receiving the J. N. Andrews Medallion.*



**K TO CUM LAUDE:** *Melpine Ponniah, who graduated in August with a bachelor of science in clinical laboratory science, has attended Andrews schools since she enrolled in kindergarten at Ruth Murdoch Elementary School.*



**KODAK MOMENT:** *For both spring and summer events, the recently installed J. N. Andrews family sculpture was the centerpiece for the campus celebrations and the backdrop for many graduation pictures. The last two editors of The Student Movement, Shereen Devadas and Kaleb Cockrum, join the threesome in what's become a graduation tradition.*

## Spring graduation

*Undergraduate commencement speaker: Charles W. Teel, Jr., professor of Christian ethics at La Sierra University, Riverside, Calif.*

*Graduate commencement speaker: Harvey A. Elder, professor of medicine at Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, Calif.*

*Baccalaureate speaker: Benjamin S. Carson, Sr., director of pediatric neurosurgery, Johns Hopkins Medical Institute, Baltimore, Md.*

*Consecration speaker: Randall Wisbey, associate professor of Christian ministry, Andrews University*

*Zapara Award recipient: Curtis J. VanderWaal, associate professor of social work*

*Honorary degree recipient (Doctor of Fine Arts): Tan Tsao Sui-Lan, artist, Singapore*

*Honorary degree recipient (Doctor of Laws): Tan Hian-Tsin, businessman, Singapore*

*J. N. Andrews Medallion recipient: Kendall E. Hill, controller, associate vice president for finance*

*J. N. Andrews Medallion recipient: Ralph Scorpio, professor of biochemistry*

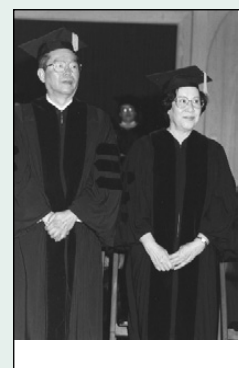
## Summer graduation

*Commencement speaker: Andrea Luxton, principal, Newbold College, Binfield, Berkshire, England*

*Baccalaureate speaker: Richard C. Osborn, vice president for education, North American Division, Silver Spring, Md.*

*Consecration speaker: Lawrence G. Burn, campus chaplain, Andrews University*

*J. N. Andrews Medallion recipient: George H. Akers, professor of curriculum and instruction, emeritus*



**ON THE PLATFORM:** *Mr. and Mrs. Tan of Singapore receive honorary degrees during spring's undergraduate commencement.*



# CAMPUS UPDATE

## Mutch named to VP post

The end of a nearly two-year search for an academic vice president came on July 1 when Patricia B. Mutch, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, assumed the post.

On June 3, the president's office announced that Mutch had accepted the position. "She not only brings enormous skill and widespread support, she also has an almost unsurpassed knowledge of this campus and how it works," said Gary Ross, assistant to President Andreassen.

The search for a new academic chief started in October 1996, when then-vice president Mailen Kootsey resigned the post to become university chief information officer. (Kootsey has since left Andrews to chair the pharmacology and physiology department at Loma Linda University.)

Arthur Coetzee, retired university

provost, initially served as interim academic VP from March to July 1997. The need for an interim seemingly ended when the search committee announced that Bart Rippon, dean of the graduate school and director of research at Loma Linda University, had accepted the job and would begin in May 1997. But in June of the same year, Rippon announced he would not take the post.

Delmer Davis followed Coetzee as interim vice president in July 1997. The situation took a curious turn when Rippon again accepted the position this past April, but then two months later determined he could not come.

Since 1972, Patricia Mutch has served at Andrews in a variety of capacities:



Patricia Mutch

She has directed the professional dietetics program, the Office of Scholarly Research and the Institute for the Prevention of Addictions. She has also been a classroom teacher, and in 1995 she was named dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

She earned her bachelor's degree in food and nutrition at Andrews in 1965 and did a dietetic internship at Loma Linda University. She

earned her doctorate in nutrition from the University of California, Davis, in 1972.

## Consolidated bulletin now available

In May, the Andrews mail center began mailing out a new, consolidated Andrews University academic bulletin.

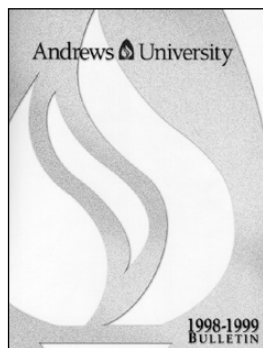
The 250-page document not only featured a new design on its cover, it also marked the end of the annual bookshelf of bulletins that was heretofore produced by the university.

The move from seven bulletins (six schools and a general information issue) to

one bulletin required cross-school cooperation, the support of the academic deans, and the leadership of Gary Ross, assistant to the president, who directed the bulletin consolidation project.

James Fisher in the Office of Scholarly Research prepared the first draft for the new bulletin, and an editorial team from the Andrews University Press incorporated various changes into successive drafts as requested by the deans.

Ross says particular credit for technical and design assistance on the bulletin goes to University Press workers Carol Loree, Joyce Jones and Deborah Everhart, along with Patricia Spangler of University Relations.



Randy Siebold, assistant professor of technology education, designed the new bulletin's cover.

## Semesters to return to AU

A series of votes in the spring made a move toward semesters at Andrews more likely. Four separate campus deliberative bodies—the University Senate, the graduate and undergraduate councils, and the general faculty—all agreed that semesters are preferable to the current quarter system, which has been in effect since 1968.

Academic administration made the case that a move to semesters would improve student retention, allow for more substantive class content, and correct chronic problems associated with the existing system.

In July the Board voted to institute the change to semesters effective fall term, 2000.

# CAMPUS UPDATE

## **What does Net '98 mean to Andrews? Does satellite evangelism work? How is Dwight holding up?**

**A FOCUS interview with PMC senior pastor Dwight Nelson**

*by Jack Stenger*

**B**y this time, the Net '98 statistics are well known. From Oct. 9 to Nov. 14, the Bible-based series will be broadcast via satellite to more than 1,500 locations in North America and 5,000 sites in other parts of the world. The series, designed to be friendly toward the urban, "Gen X" mindset, is called "NeXt Millennium Seminar: Finding A Forever Friendship with God." The site for this globally transmitted event is Andrews University. The project will require more than 40 translators and 30 broadcast technicians and the satellite broadcast, projected to reach more than 100 countries, is shaping up to be the largest televangelistic event of its kind in the history of Christendom.

For Dwight Nelson, the above means only one thing: The heat is on. In October 1996, the senior PMC pastor was selected by the North American Division as Net '98 speaker. In December of the same year, Andrews was chosen as Net '98 host site.

Over the course of six months from July 1997 to January 1998, Nelson developed and wrote more than 30 messages for the series. Since January, Nelson has barnstormed across North America and the globe, rallying church members and leadership for the church's biggest satellite evangelistic campaign ever.

In denominational circles, Nelson's reputation has grown since his arrival at Andrews in 1983. Then, he was very much the pastor *wunderkind*, known as much for his boyish looks as he was for his passionate and often unorthodox oratory. But an extensive speaking schedule and a popular preaching series on 3ABN have spread his fame far beyond Adventist circles in southwest Michigan. And Net '98 puts the spotlight even more squarely on Nelson. Now 46 years old and in his fifteenth year at PMC, he ranks among the church's leading voices in North America.

In a recent interview with **FOCUS**, Nelson showed no signs of pre-Net '98 stress. For him, interview answers are like his sermons: words gush out in torrents, vision-heavy and laden with the passionate "Dwight-speak" that first won students over in the early 1980s. A global satellite event is bound to change an Adventist college in sleepy Berrien Springs. It's also bound to change the campus pastor upon whom much of the campaign's success depends.

### **What will Net '98 mean for Andrews?**

There's no question that Net '98 will position Andrews at the heart of a global evangelistic campaign that will go to six continents. It will be a classic example of an Adventist institution of higher learning acting as a vibrant hub for communicating the very good news of Jesus to the surrounding world. A marriage like this one—where institutional mission and global outreach so neatly merge—has never been seen before in Adventist circles.

*When Net '98 viewers around the globe view this message, what's the likelihood*

*they'll say: "Where in the world is Berrien Springs, Michigan? Why was Andrews University chosen as the host site rather than a larger media market with more name recognition?"*

Originally we weren't the choice. Church leaders first envisioned a global event emanating from a big city, possibly New York. But the longer we thought, the more Andrews seemed like a logical choice, and we eventually made the pitch to them. Net '98 planners wanted a strategic evangelistic effort that was user-friendly to the young—we have 3,000 Gen Xers right here and we are accustomed to tailoring our messages to meet their needs. Church leaders wanted a message that would have global appeal and few Adventist institutions have as much experience with an international community as Andrews does. The third thing going for us is the campus' familiarity with broadcast evangelism. Every Sabbath our services are taped and broadcast for viewing on 3ABN. Our Pioneer congregation is used to lights and cameras, and the attitude of this campus has always been *What we do here we want to share with the world.*

*Some critics of church evangelistic campaigns say the traditional Bible Prophecy-Revelation Seminar approach to evangelism is outdated and ineffective in reaching unchurched people. How will Net '98 be different?*

The title alone indicates a shift in the public evangelism paradigm. The dominant message is a God who is passionate for a personal encounter with every human being. There's a line in *Christ's Object Lessons* (p. 415) that reads: "The last message of mercy, the last rays of merciful light will be a revelation of God's character of love." We are reaching out to the most relationship-starved generation in history, so Generation X is ready to listen about a relationship with the God who made them. It's not that we are *not* going to dwell on prophecy, but the emphasis will be on *relationship*.

# CAMPUS UPDATE

*The term Generation X and a North American college-based event might indicate an age-specific, America-centric and evangelistic approach. Will Net '98 be meaningful to people older than 35 and culturally understandable to those outside North America?*

We are not denying that Net '98 is designed to reach Gen-Xers, but the event is not totally narrow-cast. All along our motto has been *User-friendly for the young, life-changing for all*. Every age will get something out of this series. Of course, in the information age a presentation has to have multimedia elements and even Cyberspace links if we want a media-savvy generation to notice. We're going to have these things. But the gospel is not an

dominant worldwide culture, particularly in developed nations.

*In 1997, a massive PMC building expansion was completed. The \$4 million project doubled the church's interior space and expanded ministry possibilities. Was the project done with Net '98 in mind?*

It seems coincidental, but it's actually providential. Throughout our construction project, we had no idea that Net '98 would come to PMC, so it's apparent God must have had this evangelistic campaign on His mind long before we had it on ours. Our new church wings have become vital space that will make this giant global effort possible. We now have room for the

you surviving? Are you afraid? Are you healthy?" I think it's been the many prayers offered on my behalf that have kept me healthy and free from undue worry. I'm sure the pressure will intensify as we get really close, but right now I'm fine.

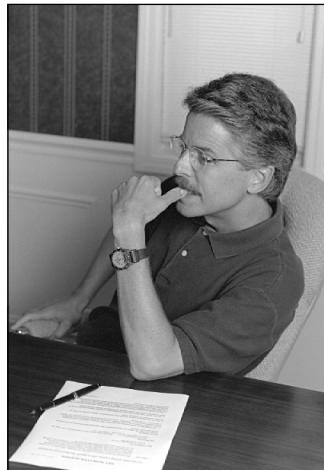
*The North American church increasingly relies upon satellite evangelism, but does satellite evangelism really work?*

Net '95 and Net '96 changed everything. Prior to these events, it was felt by many within our church that public evangelism no longer worked in North America, particularly among Caucasian populations. But thanks to Mark Finley and Adventist leaders who had a vision for evangelism, we saw incredible numbers respond to the gospel and join the Adventist fellowship. In most cases, satellite evangelism is actually better suited to reach the secular, urban, professional mind. Since a single satellite message is backed by the financial and technical resources of the North American Division, it can feature a media-savvy approach a local church or conference sometimes can't afford.

*After Net '98—perhaps the equivalent of climbing public speaking's Mount Olympus—where does Dwight Nelson go from here?*

*Are there other challenges beyond Andrews and Pioneer Memorial Church?*

We all face the same challenge. As long as there are six billion souls in this world that need to know Jesus, the challenge to Adventists everywhere will be to proclaim the gospel. As for where do we go after Net '98, I guess I can only say this: No team preparing for the World Series talks about what they're going to do after the big event. Net '98 is our World Series, and we are totally focused on "winning" this campaign for the glory of God.



age-specific message, and the gospel is the message of Net '98.

If we consider the global nature of this outreach, a concern about an overly America-centric approach is valid. But in my travels I've seen that a common, secular culture is developing around the world. Increasingly, the people across the globe are more alike than different, particularly those under 40. They eat alike, think alike and are entertained alike. So although our message will reach different countries, an emerging, urban secular culture is starting to become the

translators, for technicians, for equipment and for nightly children's meetings—we just didn't have the space for all this before. God truly guided us in the expansion of our church.

*There are high hopes for Net '98 and awesome speaking responsibilities associated with it. How are you holding up under the pressure?*

God has been gracious. He's kept me from totally grasping the magnitude of the responsibilities we're facing. People come up to me and say, "Pastor, how are



# On the beach

## The (nearly) endless summer at Andrews University



by Jack Stenger

*Andrews students Benjamin Navia, Nancy Colina and Aneris Coria catch some rays at Silver Beach in St. Joseph.*

**T**he piercing cry of a distant gull. The calming cadence of waves against the white-sand shore. The brilliant technicolor panorama of a setting sun, where bright yellow recedes to orange, and pinkish highlights fade to darkening purple.

On the beach, children build sandcastles, parents recline on chairs, and college students finish a spirited game of volleyball. In the distance, across a trackless body of water, a silhouetted sailboat charts a lonely course.

If you think this postcard of prose comes from either the states of California or Florida, think again. Try Andrews University.

Andrews? An ideal summertime destination? It might be a paradigm shift for some, but every alumnus who has ever been sunburned on the shores of Lake Michigan knows it's true. "Everybody loves the beach around here," says Laura Gonzalez, a junior biology major from Berrien Springs. "Matter of fact, I don't know where we'd go if we didn't have it."

For years, despite all public relations efforts to the contrary, the university has had a reputation that's hard to shake—that Andrews is for Eskimos, a site of Arctic tundra or Scandinavian-length winters. Perhaps it's an image perpetuated by Caribbean alumni or students from the Sunbelt regions, folk who did not weather the long Michigan winters as well as their Midwestern or Northeastern peers.

But let the word go forth. Life at Andrews is a beach! (At least from May to September.) No, our school is not Pepperdine University on the Pacific shores of Malibu. But, yes, the beach experience is as much a part of Andrews as are

cram sessions in James White Library.

When college fathers uprooted Battle Creek College from central Michigan to southwest Michigan's fruit belt in 1901, little could they have known they were creating the possibility for a collegiate beach culture. But within a short 15-minute drive from the Andrews campus is Lake Michigan. It's the largest fresh-water body in the United States, the third largest of the famous Great Lakes, and it's bound by 636 miles of shoreline.

And they don't call it *great* for nothing. One faculty member recalled a first-time Lake Michigan beach visit for a group of students from North Carolina. Accustomed to the small, man-made lakes of the South, the girls were not prepared for the sea-like view that first greeted them. "Why can't we see the other side?" they asked. Probably because the thing is 100 miles across at its widest point and about 70 miles across from St. Joseph, Mich., to Chicago. And within sea gull-flying distance from Berrien Springs are some of this lake's most inviting beaches.

For Andrews students—past and present—the names of these beaches are as familiar as Coppertone Lotion on a sunny day: Silver Beach, Grand Mere, Weko Beach and Warren Dunes. For Berrien Springs residents, they are the "Fantastic Four" spots for afternoon and weekend getaways.

For students, any beach is generally a way to combat two present dangers of collegiate life: boredom or books. "Whenever my friends and I are really stressed by our studies or we're looking for something to do, someone always

says: 'Let's go to the beach,'" said Lorette Gray, a sophomore biology major from Toronto.

Psychologists have long written about the calming effect that bodies of water have on the human psyche, but it doesn't take B. F. Skinner to convince Andrews faculty and staff. Since 1901, when the university first moved to Berrien Springs and the nearby Michigan coast, the beach has always been a place to relieve work-related stress. Rebecca May, director of Alumni Services, said since her days as a student in the 1970s, the beach has always represented a respite from all that is taxing. "There's nothing more soothing than hearing those waves or walking the beach. We should require each student to spend one summer quarter here and mandate beach attendance. They'd be less stressed out, and we might hear a whole lot less about our winters," May says.

Because Jeff Wilson used to live in land-locked parts of both Arizona and Ohio, he said he knows the difference a large body of water can make for acquiring peace of mind. The director of Andrews trust services, Wilson said the beach's value becomes even more apparent to him when he is traveling on I-94 toward Chicago on a Sunday evening. "Let's face it," he says, "gridlock can sometimes mean something. When I see the highway full of Chicago people who drive two hours to enjoy what we have so close by, I know this area offers us something really special."

Since regulators and lawyers did not hold sway in the mid-1970s when she was a student, Raelene Brower, marketing director for the physical therapy department, said beach fires

were still the thing for Andrews beachcombers. At that time, roasted corn and vegelinks were a perfect compliment to sunset-watching. Today Brower still considers herself an inveterate beach-goer: "Every time I go I feel like I'm on vacation even though I'm only 15 minutes away from campus."

And while volleyball matches, water games and afternoon-long suntan sessions might dominate local beach activities, the shores of Lake Michigan have been a spiritual destination for Andrews students, as well.

Local residents have long grown accustomed to seeing students around a bonfire for a Friday evening vespers, and a certain "Saturday afternoon beach etiquette" has even developed over the years. Rather than swimming, dignified forms of wading are usually more common on Sabbath afternoon walks. Volleyballs and frisbees are generally traded in for Bibles and song circles. "You can usually tell the Andrews people at the beach on Sabbath because they've got nicer clothes on—and their shoes off," Brower notes.

Some Andrews faculty have used the beach as nearby "retreat centers" suitable for visitation when spiritual batteries need recharging. Leona Running, professor emeritus of biblical languages, said a professional challenge in the early 1960s prompted her to spend every day at the beach for a week, reading *Steps to Christ* and her Bible, searching for answers that the fresh air seemingly made more possible. Today, a Lake Michigan sunset never fails to transport her to the Middle East, where her professional travels have taken her. "When I see the sun dipping into the water, I imagine that I'm back in Israel

on the Mediterranean Sea."

Wolfhard Touchard, a reference librarian in James White Library, said he returns to Warren Dunes State Park every year to spend a day on the beach just around his birthday. He hikes the dunes, meditates on the beach, and generally engages in a spiritual reality check—man and Maker, communing by a fresh-water sanctuary. "I just talk to the Lord and ask Him: 'Where are we going to go together in the coming year?'" Touchard says.

Guess it's true that there's nothing like a distant horizon, unencumbered by automobiles and office buildings, to send thoughts upward—or to inspire some pitched volleyball matches. Student Laura Gonzalez says she and her friends prefer Silver Beach mostly for its plenitude of volleyball courts.

But the storied beach in St. Joseph is the "students' favorite" for more reasons than this. Silver Beach is a blaring radio, a candy-red snow cone, or a romantic walk on the nearly half-mile-long pier that juts into the lake and features one of Michigan's most photographed lighthouses. "It's the young people's beach," Gonzalez says, "or it's the place you see just about everybody."

Up to September, that is. Like all good things,

summer comes to an end in southwest Michigan. Late August rolls around, days get shorter and the once-balmy, summer-night air takes on a crisper bite. The lotion and beach chairs are packed away, the bathing suit is folded up, and the Chicago residents leave their summer homes on the rural side of Lake Michigan to gird themselves for another long winter in the city.

Watching the dying rays of a sunset from the tip of St. Joseph's pier is fittingly symbolic of the fleeting nature of Michigan summers on the beach. But so, too, is the optimistic questioning of a child on Weko Beach. Just the other day, I heard one imploringly say, "Hey, Mom, can I still go swimming? Please?"

Don't give up, kid, because she'll give in. Remember, hope springs eternal for all beachcombers. yes, winters are long, and the "endless summer" can be a short one around here. But don't pack your lotion away too deep, because the beach is

always with us, and next May is really not that far away!

*Jack Stenger, a thrice-a-week beachcomber who enjoys reading The Chicago Times while watching the sun set, is associate director of university relations.*



*Jessica Medina takes a break at this nearby Lake Michigan beach.*

## Andrews Beaches

*There are more than ten beaches in Berrien County alone, but four beaches tend to be the favorites for campus beachgoers.*

**Silver Beach, St. Joseph** The "Daytona Beach" of area beaches. Once home to an amusement park, Silver now has an outdoor amphitheater, a junk-food-heavy refreshment stand and more than ten beach volleyball courts. Area high-schoolers cruise and play volleyball here, and loud jet skis ply the waters that surround the nearly half-mile-long St. Joseph municipal pier.



### **Grand Mere State Park, Stevensville**

Unofficially, this place is the "Sabbath" beach for Michiana Adventists. This is the au natural site, with towering dunes



and beaches wholly devoid of any form of development. Best of all, there's no cost on the park's back entrance.

**Weko Beach, Bridgman** The closest beach to Andrews, a trip to Weko is a direct path down Shawnee Road out of Berrien Springs. This beach is widely regarded as a "family" beach. An endearing Weko tradition has a bugler play Taps every night for sunset and appreciative crowds always clap.



### **Warren Dunes State Park, Sawyer**

Thanks to Chicago crowds, few beaches are as crowded as this one on hot summer weekends. Its most prominent feature is the 240-foot Tower Hill Dune. The climb is always a bear, but the running



descent is the closest most get to unassisted flight. The massive dune also makes Warren Dunes the top sled-riding site for Andrews students in the winter.

# Where the Women Are

## A look at women's studies programs at Andrews and elsewhere

by Lisa Rollins

**Women's Studies:** An interdisciplinary academic field which focuses on women's experience in the analysis of human culture, examines the contributions and status of women, and explores the dynamics of sex roles and gender ideals—past and present.

While some schools emphasize they have been educating women for 100 years, women's studies programs were not formally approved until 1970 when San Diego State University received the distinction of providing the first recognized program.

In 1990 the National Women's Studies Association surveyed American colleges and universities and found that 621 women's studies programs existed. From small beginnings in the 1970s, women's studies programs in America have seemed to increase rapidly with each passing year.

A minor in women's studies was established at Andrews ten years ago, but it has been slow to attract students. However, hundreds of undergrads enroll in the variety of classes that comprise the minor.

The almost "faddish" popularity of any idea often gives rise to questions about its validity, and the critics of women's studies programs have not failed in that respect: *Is this program creating antimalle sentiments in impressionable college students? Are women's studies just the result of political correctness? Is it harmful for our children to be exposed to feminist ideas? Is the female perspective on art and history and politics and literature and science a valid perspective, worthy of acknowledgment?*

Other questions, however, are much more basic: *What compels people to go against established ways of perceiving the world and, despite brutal criticism, create a new intellectual outlook which focuses on and explores the lives of women? What do women's studies programs offer that continues to draw students to pursue a women's studies emphasis, minor, major or even graduate degree?*

Although colleges and universities provide purpose and mission statements to support the existence of their women's studies programs, the real reason such programs exist anywhere is because professors who create and teach the courses are personally and passionately drawn to the topic themselves.

Andrews professors with a history of involvement in Andrews women's studies courses say it was their own interest in women's issues that made them want to participate in the women's studies minor. The curriculum includes courses such as Introduction to Women's Studies, Women's Literature, and Women in Contemporary Society.

The existence of the minor at Andrews can also be linked to another group of individuals interested in women's topics on a personal level. Those individuals, active in the Association of SDA Women, later made up the Andrews University Women's Concerns Advisory Committee, which was instrumental in instituting the women's studies curriculum.

While professors' personal interests may have inspired the genesis of women's studies programs around the nation, it takes an additional element to sustain loyalty to a program continually threatened by intellectual critics, uninterested students and unsupportive administrators. This motivation is provided by not only the professors' own "intellectual and political commitment to the discipline," but, according to the Association of American Colleges and National Women's Studies Association, "by the intellectual and personal transformations they consistently witnessed in their students."

Watching students develop intellectually and emotionally—even reach an "epiphany" during the course of a quarter—is what makes the class in women's literature one of Professor of English Meredith Jones Gray's "most rewarding classes."

As with many elective classes, students take women's studies courses for a variety of reasons: The class time was convenient, the class met some needed requirement, a friend or adviser recommended it, or, ideally, they had a personal interest in women's issues. Despite the many reasons for enrolling in the class, however, student responses to women's studies courses are often similar—and overwhelmingly positive.

One student in a women's studies emphasis course comments: "This class exposed me to discussions—intelligent ones—that I don't think I would've experienced in any other class. Looking into the different roles that women have played in society and the evolution of those roles was an important theme in this class."

The Association of American Colleges and the National Women's





**Enchantment and the Kingdom, a lithograph by Marc Chagall, suggests the role of women's studies programs on university campuses. The signed print, a gift to the university from Lawrence Gipson, M.D. of Charleroi, Penn., is currently on display in the Office of University Relations at Andrews University.**

Studies Association, in *The Courage to Question*, observe that women's studies curricula provide "a dynamic, interactive environment that encourages critical thinking, empowers students as learners, enriches their sense of civilization's heritage, connects their knowledge from other courses, and challenges them to become actively engaged in shaping their world."

This freedom to step outside educational norms invigorates students and stimulates their minds. Women's studies courses can result in heated discussions, which help students develop new ideas and serve as catalysts for personal growth. Women's studies classes are not boring, students report.

Currently there seems to be a trend—perhaps a backlash against "political correctness"—to change women's studies into *gender studies*, at least in name. Many gender studies programs include a number of courses that discuss gender in general (*Gender in Society*, *The Politics of Gender in Early Modern Europe and America*, etc.), but there still remain a majority of classes dedicated specifically to feminism and women's topics.

Whatever the reasons for this renaming, the message of the women's studies movement seems to be the same now as it was nearly 30 years ago: *The study of what women have to say about their world and themselves is valid and rewarding.* And many professors and students still believe this is a study worth pursuing.

At Andrews, the women's studies minor also seems to be the same as it was ten years

ago. Some of the women's issues courses are thriving, while some receive little attention. The minor faces the challenge of any interdisciplinary program—no one department holds responsibility for its direction, promotion or development; therefore, the minor suffers from lack of these elements which cause an academic program to thrive.

Even though, according to the current academic bulletin, the minor is designed to complement "most majors in the humanities and social sciences, as well as many in education and the natural sciences," and to "broaden the perspective and increase the usefulness of students entering programs related to public services," only one student has completed the minor. And many students do not even know it exists.

While the future of women's studies at Andrews remains uncertain, one of the university's most attractive features is the diversity of the student body and faculty—ethnically and culturally. The school uses this diversity as a selling point, and its women's studies program certainly provides a platform for examining such diversity.

Exposure to a variety of perspectives is one of the most valuable elements of education since in studying how other people think and feel, students acquire a more complete picture of humanity.

One student summed it up this way: "I am not willing to limit my learning processes to areas which are historically or socially defined as valid. There is so much we don't know about the world we live in, so much to be learned."

Women's studies just might be a fascinating place to start.

*Lisa Karpenko Rollins (BA '96) majored in English literature and currently works on campus as a secretary for the Department of Church History in the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary.*

# Hosta Takeover

In just ten years, Ed and Verna Streeter have turned their backyard hillside into a secret garden of hostas and other shade-loving perennials.

by Douglas Jones

photographs by Madeline Johnston

**J**ust driving by their home on Singer Lake Road near Baroda, Mich.—a few miles west of Andrews campus—you’d never know there’s a secret garden of shade-loving plants and flowers in Edward and Verna Streeter’s backyard. Over 700 clumps of hostas (more than 200 varieties at last count) create a breathtaking sight every summer.


Now retired from the Andrews faculty and staff, Ed and Verna put in eight-hour days in the early summer, grooming their secret garden of hostas—perennial plants big on dramatic foliage ranging from sunny golds and chartreuse to variegated mixes of white and deep blue-green. Their work has paid off. Their backyard has been the setting for four weddings, local garden tours (600 guests from nearby Lincoln Township ambled the shady pathways not so long ago), various newspaper stories, and *Taunton’s Kitchen Garden* maga-

zine this summer is doing a feature on the Streeters’ kitchen garden.

Ed, professor emeritus of educational administration and supervision in the School of Education, on a recent walk-through of the gardens, pointed out that their garden is made up of a dozen “rooms,” or self-contained spaces. From the front yard guests can saunter around the side of the house and move down a shady path dubbed “Hosta Way,” or climb the stairs down the bank while looking out at the sunny kitchen plot and beyond to the sparkling water of Singer Lake.

The Streeters have christened their backyard getaway Verna’s Greenery. Verna, who served as secretary to the dean of graduate studies from Gordon Madgwick to Delmer Davis, says she got started gardening long ago when she was a child in Australia: “My grandmother had a wonderful garden!” And Ed traces his gardening



A photograph of a garden featuring a set of wooden steps that descend a hillside. The steps are made of weathered wooden planks and are surrounded by various plants. To the left of the steps, there are large hostas with broad, green leaves. To the right, there are yellow daylilies with long, narrow leaves and bright yellow flowers. In the foreground, there are green ferns and red impatiens. The background shows a wooden fence and more greenery.

Wooden steps determine the path down the Streeters' backyard hillside filled with hostas, daylilies, ferns and impatiens.





start back to his youth in India. They've travelled the world traipsing around gardens. Most recently they visited gardens in England and name Powis Gardens there Britain's most spectacular.

Ed and Verna, both members of the Michigan Hosta Society, speak knowingly of their hosta specimens. "*Sum and Substance* is the largest of the plants," they explain about a stunning gold-hued plant. The yellowish-tinted hosta leaves are due to more sunlight, while the more bluish-colored plants are those found deeper in the shade. "They all like an acid soil," Ed mentioned, "and slugs and snails are their enemies." There are about 1700 varieties of hostas, which are sometimes called plantain lilies.

Hosta names like *August Moon*, *Wrinkles and Crinkles* and *Golden Tiara* are spoken affectionately by both Ed and Verna, and you can tell that they are on intimate terms with their plants. They should be; throughout the summer each of them works in the gardens from three to four hours a day.

**Clockwise from below: Pink astilbe accents the hosta garden. The mammoth leaves of H. 'Great Expectations' show the variegation many hosta collectors prize. The Streeters' kitchen garden flourishes in the full sun. Verna and Ed relax in one of their garden "rooms." Facing page, clockwise from top: Variegated hosta stand out from blue hydrangea and pink impatiens. H. 'Francee.' Good fences make good neighbors; the Streeters keep their next-door neighbors supplied with hostas and astilbes. A shady nook features ferns, impatiens and an ornamental frog's splash of water.**









Hostas are not the only favored plants in the Streeter garden; however, they outnumber all the other species in the secret garden. The lush green foliage of hostas and ferns is heightened by the showy color of day lilies or by the soft pastels of astilbe and hydrangea. Around the stream and waterfall you'll also find impatiens ranging from delicate pinks to fiery reds. And occasionally a rose floats above the sea of hosta.

**H**ostas, named for the Austrian botanist Nicolaus Host, are indigenous to Japan and North Korea, and they require six weeks of dormancy in winter's cold. They're easy to divide, say the Streeters. "You can move and share them very easily."

Hostas sprout in early April, sending up "horns" of delicate silver green that will unfurl to produce spectacular leaves. Some varieties' leaves take on a pillowed, or quilted, look, while others are smooth and shiny.

The month of June is prime time for hostas; then in July or August they put out a tall spire of small, bell-like flowers—ranging from delicate blue-violet to white. Late in the heat of summer, the hosta will turn a golden hue; and with the first frost in the fall, the hosta will die back for its dormant period.

The Streeters look for bargains when it comes to acquiring new varieties. Ed says that locally Brookside Nursery in St. Joseph is a good place to start to look. But he favors wholesalers like Twixwood Nursery in Berrien Springs, Walters Gardens in Zeeland, Mich., and DeGroot Nurseries in Coloma, Mich.

Both Ed and Verna say that the best authority on hostas is Diana Grenfell, whom they met in Great Britain. They recommend her two books—*The Gardener's Guide to Growing Hostas* (1996) and *Hosta: The Flowering Foliage Plant* (1990)—to gardeners curious about their shade-loving favorite.

If you have questions about shade gardening, Ed says he'll be happy to respond if you want to e-mail him at <streeter@andrews.edu>. But good luck catching him before he goes out to the garden!

*Douglas Jones is editor of FOCUS, and his backyard is filled with hostas. Madeline Johnston is an avid photographer who has recently had her work published in the April 1998 issue of Popular Photography.*

**Some Streeter favorites, top to bottom: *H. plantaginea* produces large, shiny leaves throughout the summer. Stunning variegated foliage is expected from *H. sieboldiana* 'Frances Williams.' *H. 'Wrinkles and Crinkles'* produces showy white flowers earlier in the season than some other hostas.**





# ALUMNI NEWS

## Alumni host June grads

More than 150 graduates gathered in the backyard of the Alumni House just before graduation rehearsal on June 4 to enjoy a farewell picnic sponsored by the Alumni Association and hosted by university administrators.

In addition to eating tons of burritos and piles of chips and salsa, the celebration included door prizes (\$98 in cash!), a Christian bluegrass band, volleyball and croquet.

"We have several beautiful services in the church during graduation weekend. We thought it would be fun to have a picnic to help our newest alums celebrate their accomplishments," said Rebecca May, director of alumni services. "This is probably a beginning to a new Andrews tradition."

"Everyone was in such a good mood," commented one senior. "Tests are done, family members are on their way for commencement weekend. It felt good—but nostalgic—to be with my classmates one last time."

Senior class president Adam Heck announced that the seniors had raised enough money to plant a tree and add an outdoor bench to the campus arboretum. President Andreasen was on hand to receive the class gift from the seniors and add his congratulations to the occasion.

## Michigan alums gather

Michigan camp meeting provided a great opportunity for more than 30 Andrews alumni to gather in the library of Great Lakes Adventist Academy to hear Andrews news and view the new Spiritual Life video produced by the Office of University Relations.

Alumni seemed particularly happy to receive Andrews University "Tushy-Cushies" that they could use during the rest of the meetings!

As the Michigan camp meeting grows into a 10-day session next year, alumni can look forward to a larger alumni gathering.

A big thanks to Robin and GREG BERLIN (BA '79) for helping with logistics!



**JUNE GRADS CHOW DOWN:** Alumni director Rebecca May (far right) serves seniors in the backyard of the Alumni House, in the newest of Andrews traditions—the spring graduation rehearsal picnic.

## Retired alumni gather on campus in June

Even though most of them graduated when it was called Emmanuel Missionary College, there was no lagging in the school spirit at the Andrews University alumni gathering held on campus during the Retirees Convocation, June 14!

Eighty-five alumni met together to recall "memories that will warm our hearts for long years through."

The meeting was hosted by University Advancement staff members Lisa Jardine, Sallie Alger and Chris Carey.

## The World Is Our Classroom

*Alumni Homecoming Weekend*

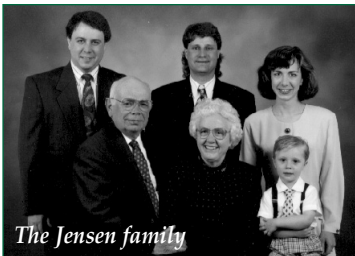
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## 1950s

**RUSSELL JENSEN** (BA '53) served the SDA Church for 41 years as an academy business manager,



*The Jensen family*

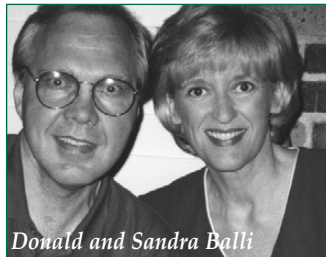
conference treasurer and undertreasurer, and union conference undertreasurer. Russell and his wife Marjorie live in Austin, Colo. They have two grown children—Jim Jensen and Sandy Brandmeyer.

**ELAYNE (ANDRUS) LAABS** (BA '58) is a retired teacher and lives in San Bernardino, Calif. She's "taking computer classes and loving it—working toward that e-mail address."

**CLARICE RUF-ANTOR** (BA '50) and her husband **FRED** (attended) were married in 1983 while they were both working at the General Conference headquarters in Maryland. They are both retired now, but remain busy. Their home is in Escondido, Calif.

## 1960s

**SANDRA J. BALLI** (BA '69) is associate professor of education at Pacific Union College. She earned a MEd and PhD in curriculum and instruction from University of Missouri. Her husband, **DONALD** (BA '69) is director of human resources at St. Helena Hospital, St.



*Donald and Sandra Balli*

Helena, Calif. They have two children—Kevin and Karen.

**MICHAEL J. MCINERNEY** (BA '65, MA '70) is a police officer with the Chicago Police Department. He works as a drug hunter on the west side of the city.

## 1970s

**RICHARD K. EMMERSON** (MA '71) was one of four faculty members at Western Washington University honored at commencement ceremonies in June for their

excellence in teaching, research and diversity achievement. All awards included a certificate of recognition and a check for \$1000. Richard received the Olscamp Research Award. He is an internationally known authority in medieval studies, art history and, especially, "groundbreaking and riveting" work on the literature of the Apocalypse. His work has been recognized with three National Endowment for the Humanities awards as well as fellowships and awards from other major foundations. Richard did his doctoral work at Stanford University.

**TED M. LEWIS** (BS '72, MBA '80) is chief operating officer at Fort Washington Medical Center in Maryland. He recently advanced to Fellow status in the



*Ted Lewis*

American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE), an international professional society representing more than 30,000 health care executives. The announcement was made at ACHE's 64th annual convocation ceremony in March. Fellow status is the highest level of professional achievement in ACHE, and at present, only 2,800 healthcare executives in the nation have earned it. To obtain this status, members must demonstrate their education, experience and leadership in the health care field over a period of several years; they must also complete a significant project on a subject related to health care management.

Ted is married to **JANET (ALDEA)** (BS '72, MAT '77) who works for the North American Division treasurer's office at the church world headquarters.

**STANLEY E. HARRIS** (BA '74) has been promoted to the academic rank of clinical professor in the University of Southern California School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry and the Behavioral Sciences, where he continues in his

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thirteenth year as University Psychiatrist. In addition, Dr. Harris has been reelected as president of Southern California Lambda Medical Association and reappointed as chair of the Southern California Psychiatric Society Committee on Gay, Lesbian, and Bi Issues.

**ULRICH UNRUH** (MDiv '76) pastors the Kamloops SDA Church in British

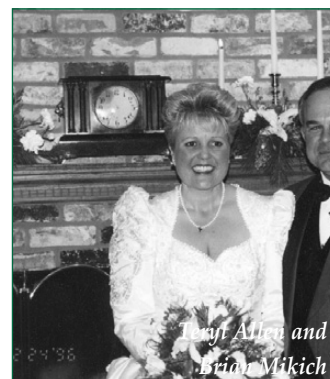
Columbia. He has pastored in B.C. for 22 years. He also serves on the SDA Church in Canada Board of Directors. Ulrich and his wife **ULRIKE** (BS '76) have two children—Stephen and Carmen.

According to the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta, **STEVEN J. ROYER** (BA '79) is now the Special Projects Coordinator for AABGA.

He will provide support for projects including the North American Plant Collections Consortium and for the 1998 Annual Conference program and Program Committee.

## 1980s

**TERYL ALLEN** (BS '80) is a dentist and lives in Placerville, Calif. She married Brian Mikich, a



fire captain with the California Department of Forestry, in 1996.

**IRIS YOB** (MA '84) currently serves as academic coordinator at the Collins Living Learning Center, Indiana University—Bloomington, an undergraduate residence that provides unique opportunities for holistic development for almost 500 students. Yob, who holds a doctorate in education from Harvard University, is also a faculty member of Walden University, a distance-learning university, specializing in doctoral studies for mid-career professionals in education, management, health services and clinical psychology. She is assistant editor of *Philosophy of Music Education Review*, a journal published by Indiana University. Her book, *Keys to Interfaith Parenting*, which follows her earlier publication, *Keys to*

**W**orking for 27 years to get a major gift may seem like an eternity to most fund raisers, but that's how long **MILTON MURRAY** (att. '45, honorary doctorate '85) has worked to get a postage stamp related to philanthropy. And finally, all his hard work has paid off! The United States Postal Service (USPS) will issue a stamp honoring philanthropy on Oct. 7, 1998.

The stamp depicts a bee pollinating a flower, representing the giving and sharing that occurs between the two parties of a philanthropic gift. Appropriately, the words "Giving and Sharing—An American Tradition" will appear on the colorful commemorative stamp.

Murray, who is director emeritus of Philanthropic Services of the Seventh-day Adventist church, spearheaded the project. He enlisted the help of Vice President Al Gore, former Senator Bob Dole, and Postmaster General Marvin Runyon.

Given that philanthropy is so essential to the future of Andrews University—as it is with thousands of other campuses—President Niels-Erik Andreasen has urged all university offices to use the stamp at every opportunity. Each alumnus can also contribute to the preservation of the philanthropic tradition by using the



*The philanthropy stamp is set for issue October 7, 1998.*

stamp on personal and business correspondence.

Funding for promoting the idea before the USPS was provided in part by Seventh-day Adventist leaders, the Adventist Health system and the Wuchenich and Zapara Foundations. ADRA and Philanthropic Services for Institutions also played important roles in promoting the philanthropy stamp.



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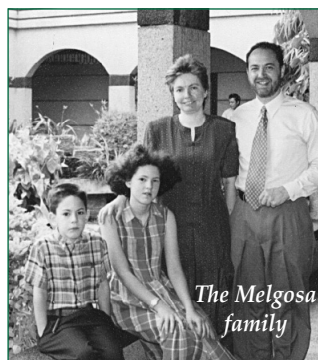
*Teaching Children About God*, has just been released by Barron's Educational Series Publishers. Earlier this year she was appointed a Fellow of the Philosophy of Education Society.

**REGGIE CURTIS** (attended) owns and operates PC Consultants & Virtual Realms in Berrien Springs. He also chairs the church school board. His wife **SUSAN (KRALL)** (BS '87 MSPT '91) works part-time as a physical therapist and runs a small sewing business at home. Reggie and Susan have three daughters—Veronica, Victoria and Valerie.

**CHOJAA J. GHOSN** (MBA '86) received a doctor of education degree from the University of Massachusetts, Lowell in June 1998. He recently moved to Southern Adventist University for a dual appointment in the Schools of Business and Management and Education. His wife **FIONA PALMER-GHOSEN** (BS '87) is pursuing a master's degree in higher education administration and is joining the Information Services Department at SAU. The Ghosns have one son.

**JULIAN MELGOSA** (PhD '85) writes from the

Philippines: "On March 20, 1998, we started to work for the Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies in the Philippines. My position is Dean of the School of Graduate Studies and **ANNETTE** (BS '83) is the



assistant librarian. Previously we were working at Newbold College. We worked at Newbold for eight years. I was director of the MA in education programme, and Annette was the assistant librarian. Both our children attend the international elementary school on the AIAS campus. Claudia is 11, and Eric, 8."

**VERNA PETERS** (AS '86, BA '88) and her husband Harold are under appointment to Pacific Adventist University in Papua New Guinea. Verna will teach word-processing and office management, and Harold will be the vice-chancel-

lor. Previously they have served in Zimbabwe and Sudan.

## 1990s

**MICHELLE (SCOTT) RIGG** (BS '94) is a stay-home mom in Phoenixville, Pa. She and her husband David, who works for General Motors, have a one-year-old daughter—Kaitlyn Marie.



*The Women's Community Association honored three Andrews women at its annual awards luncheon April 21, 1998, at the Mendel Center in Benton Harbor, Mich. Pictured from left are Elsie Landon Buck, for her work in the field of performing and creative arts; Lyn MacCarty, for her abilities and accomplishments in business; and Joyce Jones, for her efforts to better the community through the Community Services Center in Berrien Springs.*

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Greetings from PUC! I'm dashing off this e-mail before too much time passes to let you know that I really enjoyed the page on the outdoor sculpture at Andrews (Spring 1998).

Before returning to finish college at Andrews University (1987-1989), I was an Andrews "faculty kid." Our family lived in Berrien Springs from the time I was 11 months old until I was ten. I still fondly remember biking down the long campus sidewalks. I also remember swinging on the Corten Steel Sculpture and having pictures of my going-away party posing on Alan Collins' *Regeneration* sculpture. I also associate the smell of chlorine with the Robert Slaughter sculpture just outside the swimming pool entrance.

The idea for the article was great! I enjoyed learning about the artists and the symbolism of the sculptures. I hope many more articles describing and honoring other campus features will be published. Good job.

*Sylvia Rasi Gregorutti  
Angwin, Calif.*

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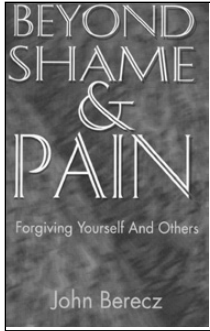
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## Primers on pain



### ***Beyond Shame and Pain: Forgiving Yourself and Others***

**by John Berez, professor of psychology. C.S.S. Publishing, 1998. 160 pages.**

It's not often that insights from the social sciences and religion are brought together in reflection upon a common Biblical theme. In this regard, Berez's book is indeed a rare and needful contribution. In his nine-chapter paperback, the author combines powerful literary skills and thought-provoking insights from various sources in his exploration of the concept of forgiveness.

Contrary to the view embraced by some, Berez argues that forgiveness is not a "static formalistic ritual," but rather, it constitutes a dynamic of our relationship to self and others. Conceptually, he grounds the dynamic within a three-pronged frame that includes the circumstances of our life, our personality types and our self-esteem. These three elements, Berez contends, mediate the extent to which we forgive others, accept their forgiveness and how we do so.

But, in all this, the author is careful to steer clear of the kind of determinism that frees the actor of responsibility for his/her action. Thus, while the circumstances of our life set limits within which we act, they do not unilaterally shape us, since, according to the author, behavior is impacted by the inner self as well.

The importance of self-esteem to the quality of our interaction with others has been well documented in the social sciences literature. However, while acknowledging the value of this sense of self-worth to how we treat ourselves and others, Berez introduces the rather

interesting notion of "alien dignity" (i.e. dignity derived from an awareness that God loves us in spite of our faults) as the basis of self-worth that makes forgiving self and others less difficult.

The author's use of the construct "psychological style" to explain the forgiveness process helps to

unmask the apparent mystery presented by the transpersonal variance in forgiveness patterns.

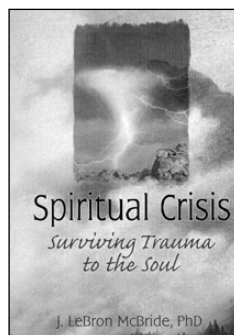
Drawing selectively and anonymously from the experiences of his psychotherapy clients, Berez illuminates our understanding of forgiveness, by showing us how the personality styles of his clients predispose them to give and accept forgiveness in certain characteristic ways. The impressionistic, feeling-driven histrionics are superficial, yet flamboyant in their forgiveness; the meticulous, perfectionistic obsessive-compulsives display a

calculation and cold forgiveness style, while the inferiority-burdened shamefuls and the appeasing dependents easily dispense forgiveness in a desperate effort to gain the approval and support of others.

With the variety of forgiveness styles discussed in the book, some contrasting and antithetical, one can easily become befuddled as to the meaning of forgiveness. But Berez takes care of the potential confusion by describing for us what forgiveness is not.

*Beyond Shame and Pain* is well organized and is written in a language and style that make for easy reading and sustained interest. References to relevant life events and individual experiences present a special appeal. Pastors and counselors as well as those caught in the throes of an unforgiving life should find this book especially interesting.

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*Reviewed by Lionel N. A. Matthews, assistant professor of sociology.*  
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### ***Spiritual Crisis: Surviving Trauma to the Soul***

**by J. LeBron McBride (M.Div '80). The Haworth Pastoral Press, 1998. 207 pages.**

One person experiences loss, grief or trauma and rails against God or leaves the Church. Another person experiences a similar event and emerges faithful and encouraging to others. What makes the difference, and how can ministers and psychotherapists help people move from pain to wholeness? J. LeBron McBride

attempts to provide us with many of the answers in his 14-chapter book *Spiritual Crisis*.

Life is all about how we interpret events. Chapter 13, "The Crisis of Ethics," seems to encapsulate part of the book's message: "We make sense of, organize, and define our worlds by the stories we tell and believe."

I was curious about the author's personal story and philosophy since I knew he had graduated from the SDA Theological Seminary and now works at the Georgia Baptist Family Residency Program. The broad strokes of his spiritual journey emerge in the inside

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page review from Desmond Ford, PhD, and Chapter 6, called "The Crisis of Denominational Identity." McBride spares us the troubling details yet alludes to the nature of his trauma and describes some events endured, such as: "Theological navel gazing became the favorite pastime." He goes on to state: "... I gradually found myself out of harmony with the beliefs of my denomination."

I found Chapter 9, "The Crisis of Personal Illness," much more illuminating with the personal story of his daughter's illness and ensuing treatment by medical-care workers. McBride hits the managed-care nail on the head with the statement "Pastoral counselors, physicians, and other professionals need to understand how the sick person explains his or her illness in order to adequately minister to the suffering person." His call for greater church involvement in preventative health education seems strongly reminiscent of SDA emphasis and may be one of his long-lasting points of agreement. I also greatly appreciated his honest incorporation of Anne Schaefer's material on addictive organizations in Chapter 10, "The Crisis of Religious Burnout."

Chapter 8, "The Crisis of Loss," does an excellent job of helping us deal with those difficult "why" questions that hurting people often ask of their friends, pastors, and counselors. McBride reminds us to be cognizant of the grieving person's context and to lay aside our own theological intimidation. "The response to 'How could God let this happen to me' may be something like, 'John's death is really a great loss for you.'"

His chapter on "The Crisis of Extremes" offers a good contribution to that often-difficult-to-grasp concept of the polarities that exist within a borderline, whether the term is used for a personality disorder or a church.

I believe that Sabbath or Sunday School classes or other groups will find the questions at the end of each chapter

helpful for discussion or reflection. I was originally skeptical of the many pages of diagrams and tables (Oh, no, another male-oriented fix-it manual!); however, most of them added to my ability to absorb the many theories that he draws upon. The notes at the end of the book reflect a wide range of theological and psycho-therapeutic sources from popular authors to classical theorists—Smuts van Rooyen and R. Brinsmead included.

Helpful, interesting and well-written books get loaned or underlined. *Spiritual Crisis* has already passed the test for books on my shelves. McBride has done the hard work and presented the distillation of numerous psychological

and theological theories helpful to the trauma victim or support person.

Last week I quoted from the book in a discussion with my cousin, at Sabbath School, and I recommended it to a former pastor friend. I'll probably even recommend it to my husband's curriculum for medical residents at Florida Hospital Orlando East.

Unfortunately, the author did not survive the doctrinal crisis of the early 1980s as a Seventh-day Adventist, yet the transformation of that event can give his readers a greater understanding of the impact and dynamics of spiritual crisis.

*Reviewed by Karen Spruill  
(BA '74, MA '95).*

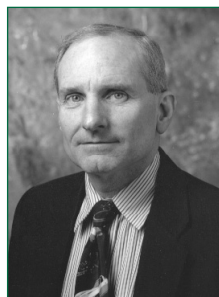
## ANDREWS IS READING . . .



***The Leader of the Future—New Visions, Strategies, and Practices for the Next Era***  
by Frances Hesselbein, Marshall Goldsmith and Richard Beckhard

**Loretta Johns**  
Assistant Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

Thirty-one authors contribute to the first book in the Drucker Foundation Future Series covering the best thinking in the world on topics such as leadership, organization, change and innovation. Peter Drucker notes in his foreword that "regardless of their almost limitless diversity with respect to personality, style, abilities, and interests, the effective leaders I have met, worked with, and observed also behaved much the same way." Leaders begin with the question "What needs to be done?" rather than "What do I want?"



***Something to Smile About***  
by Zig Ziglar

**Jack Mentges**  
Associate Director of Men's Residence Halls

This book is wonderful inspiration for anyone reading it. It's full of words of encouragement for both high and low times. *Something to Smile About* is a compilation of stories on how to keep a positive attitude through everything that life throws at you. It also has some accompanying quotes that reaffirm that there is something to smile about. My favorite quote is one by Booker T. Washington: "You can't hold a man down without staying down with him."



# LIFE STORIES

## Births

To **DAWN (LEONARD)** (BS '88, MS '90) and **EINAR ROM** (BA '88, MDiv '91), Columbus, Ohio, a boy, Josiah Anders, June 9, 1997.

**FRANICE (CARNEY) STIRLING** (MA '82) and **Ralph Stirling**, College Place, Wash., adopted a girl, Thacia Joy--born May 24, 1997, in Zhejiang Province, P. R. China--on April 2, 1998.

To **MICHELLE (WHEELER)** (BT '92) and **DUANE CULMORE** (BSET '93), Annapolis, Md., a boy, Taylor Michel, May 14, 1998.

To **CONNIE (HAMLIN)** (BS '82, MA '86) and **Jay Hickman**, Saginaw, Mich., a girl, Emily Rose, July 10, 1998.

To **ESTHER (TABAKOVIC)** (BBA '92) and **RANDY LONTO** (BS '91), Berrien Springs, a boy, Matthew Benjamin, Aug. 5, 1998.

## Weddings

**LISA HEISLER** (BBA '96, MBA '97) and **ROBERT DEININGER** (BT '95, MBA '97) were married July 27, 1997, and reside in Orlando, Fla.

**THERESA BODI** (BA '93) and **Alexander Yaroshevich** were married March 7, 1998, and now reside in Moscow, Russia.

**CYNTHIA WALLACE** (BS '96, MSPT '97) and **RICHARD FORRESTER** (BBA '89) were married May 17, 1998, and reside in Berrien Springs.

**MARIA L. MAY** (BA '90) and **Gary Thomas Dilda** were married May 17, 1998, and now reside in Boone, N. C.

**CAROL LOREE** (MA '93) and **FRANK SPANGLER** (MDiv '93) were married June 6, 1998, and now reside in Berrien Springs.

**KRISTIN DIXON** (BS '98) and **JASON IVANY** (BS '96) were married June 28, 1998, and now reside in Colton, Calif.

**ALICIA WORLEY** (BS '87, MS '88) and **Ricardo Palacios** were married July 5, 1998, and now reside in Berrien Springs.

## Deaths

**GEORGE D. PERRY (BS '61)** was born Oct. 9, 1932, in Detroit, Mich., and died Nov. 25, 1997, in Sebring, Fla.

He attended Andrews after four years in the Air Force during the Korean War. After graduation, he enjoyed 27 years of teaching in Michigan public high schools.

He is survived by his wife **SALLY HISCOCK PERRY** (BA '53) of Avon Park, Fla.; a son, **JAMES** (BS '79) of Port Townsend, Wash.; two daughters, **JANET CULP** (BS '79) of Bowling Green, Ky.; and **JUDY HARRINGTON** (BS '79) of De Beque, Colo.; and six grandchildren.

**CLAYTON V. HENRIQUEZ** (BA '42, MA '62) was born March 16, 1916, in Port of Spain, Trinidad, and died Feb. 28, 1998, in Kernersville, N. C.

Henriquez served as a missionary for 37 years in Panama, Costa Rica, Trinidad and

Colombia. He and his wife **Thelma** were married in 1942 at EMC.

He is survived by his wife of **Deltona, Fla.**; his son **ROBERTO** (att.) of Kernersville; his daughter **Rita Henriquez-Green** of Loganville, Ga.; his brothers, **Cleve** of Pasco, Wash., and **Fred** of Bushnell, Fla.; and two granddaughters.

**GERALD R. NASH** (BA '27) was born April 22, 1904, in Kokomo, Ind., and died May 11, 1998, in Fletcher, N.C.

While a student at EMC, he was a Missionary Volunteer leader, participated in ministerial field work, and was a leader for jail work. After graduating, he went as a missionary to Africa and served in many capacities: mission director, mission field president, and union president.

After returning to the United States in 1945, Nash held the position of conference president in two conferences—Georgia Cumberland and Carolina. He was director of the Sabbath School Department of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists from 1958 to 1970.

He is survived by his wife of 73 years, **Mabel Marie Moore** of Fletcher; two daughters, **Gloria Lawson** of Beemsville, Ont., and **BEVERLY MORTON** (DP '57) of Brandon, Miss.; two grandchildren, **DONALD LAING** (BS '74) of Hagers-town, Md., and **LINDA CLOSSER** (BA '80, MA '81) of Berrien Springs; and two great-grandchildren.

**MARY JEAN HINKELMAN** (BS '81) was born Jan. 18, 1957, in St. Joseph, Mich., and died June 25, 1998, in Baroda, Mich. She majored in nursing and

worked as a registered nurse and as a director of Health Care at Home in Stevensville, Mich.

She is survived by her father **George Klingspon** of Baroda; and two brothers, **Ed Klingspon** of Minneapolis, Minn., and **Dave Klingspon** of Stevensville.

**LORI ANN KLINGSPOON** (BS '87) was born June 27, 1964, in St. Joseph, Mich., and died June 25, 1998, in Baroda, Mich.

She completed a major in office administration at Andrews and served as a secretary at Health Care at Home in Stevensville, Mich., at the time of her death.

She is survived by her father **George Klingspon** of Baroda; and two brothers, **Ed Klingspon** of Minneapolis, Minn., and **Dave Klingspon** of Stevensville.

**LEON REPLOGLE** (BA '27, BTh '28, BD '28) was born April 14, 1902, in Inwood, Ind., and died June 25, 1998, in Caballo, N. M.

Prior to his college studies at Emmanuel Missionary College in the 1920s, he lived with his missionary family in South America.

He served as a school principal and pastor, and he founded a school at Lake Titicaca in Peru. Later he held educational positions in Brazil with the Seventh-day Adventist church; and after returning to the United States, he was principal of Sandia View Academy in New Mexico.

Elder Replogle is survived by his wife **MARGARET (LECKLIDER)** (att.) of Caballo; two stepdaughters, **JEANNE HOOVER-UPTON** (BA '55) and **JUNE HOOVER** (att. '54), both of

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Caballo; a foster son, Zedemar Bruscajin of Sao Paulo, Brazil; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

**PAUL D. JOHNSON** (BA '56) was born in Clio, Mich., and died July 11, 1998, in Leesburg, Fla. He was 82.

A retired physicist for an industrial testing laboratory, Johnson was a U.S. Coast Guard veteran of World War II.

He is survived by his wife Edith of Leesburg; a stepdaughter, Mary Anderson of Bangkok, Thailand; stepsons, Willard Hoebeke of Altamonte Springs, and Jack Hoebeke of Marcellus, Mich.; a brother, Robert of Goodrich, Mich.; and two step-grandchildren.

**ASTRID ELLEN IRENE WENDTH KING** (*former faculty*) was born May 31, 1912, in New York, N. Y., and died July 15, 1998, in Redlands, Calif.

A graduate of Union Springs Academy in New York State and Atlantic Union College in South Lancaster, Mass., King taught music at Emmanuel Missionary College in the 1940s.

During careers in education, she and her husband, Willis Lorenzo King, taught at several institutions, among them Adelphian Academy in Holly, Mich., Atlantic Union College and Glendale Adventist Elementary School in California.

King received a Bachelor of Music Education from Northwestern University in 1944 and a Master of Arts in church music from Boston University in 1955. Following her husband's death in 1964, she enrolled at California State College at Los Angeles to study nursing. Upon completion of

her degree, she joined the faculty of Loma Linda University School of Nursing, where she taught for 11 years.

She is survived by her daughter, Joan Beth King of Manhattan Beach, Calif., and two sisters, Ruth Bettie of Center Conway, N. H., and Else Wendth of Loma Linda, Calif., and numerous nieces and nephews.

**RUBY ELLEN (FREEMAN) THOMPSON** (att. '47, *former staff*) was born Oct. 2, 1925, in Traverse City, Mich., and died Aug. 10, 1998, in St. Joseph, Mich.

After her studies at EMC, she married Garth Thompson on Sept. 16, 1947. At the time of his death in 1988, he was chair of church ministry in the seminary. Mrs. Thompson served as a secretary in the enrollment services department at Andrews prior to her retirement.

She is survived by two daughters, Jeanine Thompson of Taos, N. M., and Janelle McCoy of Walla Walla, Wash.; two sons, DONALD (BA '69) of Chicago, Ill., and Ronald of Fortuna, Calif.; two sisters, Ivy Freeman and Beverly Oliver, both of Berrien Springs; and five grandchildren.

*Send birth, wedding and funeral announcements and day-time telephone number to Life Stories, FOCUS, Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI 49104-1000. Or e-mail the information to <douglas@andrews.edu>.*

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## What I Did On My Summer Vacation

At the beginning of every school year some teacher or another would inevitably assign “the essay.” You know the one: write a hundred words or less describing your summer vacation. My essays were always the same; I visited family. After awhile I just started making up stories. All the places I had ever wanted to visit but never could would end up in those essays. After all, no one ever limited the essay to how I really spent my summer vacation, and in my imagination I had been to all of the places I wrote about.

It wasn’t until the summer before my junior year at Andrews that I had a summer vacation, at least in my mind, worthy of being memorialized on paper as well as on film. That summer I went to England as part of the English department’s Literature-on-Location program. I remember every aspect of that trip in vivid Technicolor—from the moment I landed at Heathrow International Airport to acting out poetry in Sylvia’s Garden at Newbold College.

Sitting in the dining room at Newbold, examining the “mystery” spread on my sandwich, I never dreamed that four years down the line I would be sitting for the bar exam. I had a vague idea that I would attend law school, but I had no clear picture of what that meant. The

anticipation I felt before watching *King Lear* at Stratford-upon-Avon and the excitement of seeing Stonehenge up close are polar opposites to the dread I feel now. One exam that tests three years of work lurks on my horizon like some dark cloud.



*I look back, using  
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It amazes me how many things have changed for me in only four years. Instead of looking forward to summer, I look back, using the memories to carry me through the long, hot days ahead. After this summer I will officially enter the workforce—and finally finish school. This summer is going to be drastically different from the summer of 1993. Instead of exploring old castles, I will be exploring New York Civil Practice and Procedure. There will be no afternoon trips to London to watch *The Phantom of the Opera*; instead, I’ll spend my afternoons in the Library of Congress, reviewing the lectures I heard earlier in the day. While another group of Andrews students travels across Europe, I will travel across Washington, D.C., looking for the perfect place to study. Part of me will be with them, though, climbing through the ruins of an old castle, watching the changing of the guard at Buckingham Palace, and discovering a whole new world. At least I’ll still have lemon curd on toast at 3:00 in the morning to remind me of a summer gone by and summers to come!

*Karon Powell (BA '95) graduated from Howard Law School this summer and is waiting for the results of the District of Columbia bar exam. She works at a public law clinic, helping clients with landlord/tenant disputes, and she'll supervise law students from around D.C. in their clinical appointments.*





**E**arlier this summer Niels-Erik Andreasen fulfilled a life-long dream. Assistant professor of geography Kristopher Zygowiec, an accomplished sky diver, made the arrangements, and on Sunday, June 28, 1998, the president of Andrews University bailed out 4000 feet above Goshen, Ind., and became the first president of Andrews University to sky dive. With a look of satisfaction after his jump, the mild-mannered native of Denmark said, "I think that's something people should try... It's a unique experience."

Prior to his jump, Andreasen spent more than four hours in a basic instructional class hosted by John Thiesen of Skydive Goshen, Inc.

*photos by Jonathan Zygowiec*







*Pioneer Memorial Church*

*Jeremy Russell*